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E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, AR

SUBJECT: ARGENTINE ELECTION RESULTS: REPORT NUMBER FIVE

REF: BA-1640

1. AT 16:30 HOURS MARCH 12 FRENTE JUSTICIALISTA PRESIDENTIAL
CANDIDATE HECTOR CAMPORA READ STATEMENT TO PRESS WHICH WAS
SHARPLY
CRITICAL OF GOA' S SLOWNESS IN RELEASING VOTE COUNT FIGURES AND
WHICH REFERRED TO GOVERNMENT- CLAIMED " TECHNICAL" ERRORS
(RESULTING FROM DOUBLE COUNT OF SOME VOTES) AS " SUSPICIOUS".
STATEMENT ALSO REITERATED PERONIST CLAIM OF FIRST ROUND
VECTORY- A WELL- KNOWN FACT, CAMPORA SAID. POLICE HAVE
DISPERSED CROWD OF SOME 500 SUPPORTERS IN FRONT OF FRENTE
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HEADQUARTERS IN PALERMO, BUENOS AIRES, HOWEVER, NEW, LARGER CROWD CURRENTLY GATHERING AT SAME SPOT.

2. DAO SOURCES REPORT CAMPORA MET RECENTLY WITH ARMY G-5 HEAD BRIGADIER GENERAL LUIS BETTI WHO, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF MAJOR GENERAL ALCIDES LOPEZ AUFRANC, ASSURED HIM THAT ARMY WOULD PLAY BY RULES AND TURN POWER OVER TO FRENTE IF IT IS VICTORIOUS. CAMPORA IN TURN REPORTEDLY ASSURED LOPEZ AUFRANC OF ARMY CINC SPOT.

3. ACCORDING TO PRESIDENTIAL PRESS SECRETARY EDGARDO SAJON, PRESIDENT LANUSSE SCHEDULED TO SPEAK IN NEXT HOUR OR TWO. HOWEVER, TELEVISION CHANNELS HAVE REPORTED PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT WILL NOT COME BEFORE 20:30 TONIGHT.

4. ONE OF EMBASSY' S RELIABLE RADICAL SOURCES HAS CONFIRMED THAT UCR PLANNING TO CONCED FIRST- ROUND VICTORY TO FRENTE IF LATTER' S PERCENTAGE CONTINUES AS HIGH AS INDICATED IN REFTEL. SOURCE STATED RADICALES ARE AS IMPATIENT AS PERONISTS WITH SLOWNESS OF OFFICIAL RELEASE OF VOTE COUNT AND NOW BELIEVE DELAY HARMFUL TO BEST INTERESTS OF COUNTRY.
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